



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: January 25, 2011

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Administration Division, Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT: Proposition 40 Grant For The Renovation Of The Oak Park Main Restroom

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council increase revenues and appropriations in the Parks and Recreation Department Fiscal Year 2011 Capital Fund in the amount of \$100,325 for a California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 40) Per Capita grant for the renovation of the Oak Park Main Restroom.

DISCUSSION:

Background

The Parks and Recreation Department has a comprehensive park restroom renovation program as part of its long-term capital improvement program. Funding for the program includes the General Fund, State and Federal grants, and Redevelopment Agency (RDA) funding. In Fiscal Year 2011, the Department has five restroom renovation projects in the following City parks: Oak Park, Ortega Park, Chase Palm Park, Pershing Park, and Plaza del Mar. The Department has Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for the renovation of the Ortega Park Restroom, and RDA funding for the Chase Palm, Pershing, and Plaza del Mar restrooms.

Oak Park Main Restroom Renovation Project

First constructed in 1958, the main restroom at Oak Park is located adjacent to the park's playgrounds, the seasonal wading pool, and main picnic and festival areas. The restroom includes separate men's and women's facilities and one that is unisex and accessible. The unisex facility was added in 1983. Oak Park has a second restroom adjacent to the Sycamore picnic area. Due to its location, the main restroom serves a majority of the park visitors. No improvements have been undertaken since 1983.

Renovation of the Oak Park Main Restroom includes the replacement of plumbing and electrical fixtures and conduit, installation of new flooring, tile, sinks, toilets, and stall partitions, replacement of hand dryers, and the addition of new lighting and paint. Once complete, the Department anticipates that the project will have a lifespan of 25 to 30 years.

Proposition 40 Per Capital Grant Program

The Proposition 40 Per Capita Grant Program is intended to maintain a high quality of life for California's growing population by providing a continuing investment in parks and recreational facilities. Specifically, it is for the acquisition and development of neighborhood, community, and regional parks and recreation lands and facilities in urban and rural areas. In fall 2010, the Department applied to the California Department of Parks and Recreation for a Proposition 40 grant in the amount of \$100,325 for the renovation of the Oak Park Main Restroom.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The \$100,325 grant will cover the total cost of the project, including design, permitting, and construction. Design, permitting and project administration costs total \$17,700 and construction costs are budgeted for \$82,625. Project design and permitting are complete and project construction will be complete in early March 2011.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

The project includes water conservation benefits, including the installation of reclaimed water service. In addition, there will be water savings with the new low-flow toilets, waterless urinals, and metered sink faucets.

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